## **Mark Your Calendars!**

## 2012-13 Training on the School Menu Certification Process

Regional and statewide training sessions are scheduled to assist you in meeting the new USDA Meal Pattern and to apply for School Menu Certification to receive the additional \$0.06 reimbursement during the 2012-13 school year.

Please plan on attending a webinar about the School Menu Certification Process to get an overview and understand next steps in the application process to receive the additional \$0.06 reimbursement.

Choose from one of the following dates and times to attend the School Menu Certification Process webinar:

August 23, 2012 1:00-2:00 pm

Click here to join the webinar: <a href="http://connect.opi.mt.gov/mealpatterncertification/">http://connect.opi.mt.gov/mealpatterncertification/</a>

August 30, 2012 1:00-2:00 pm

Click here to join the webinar: <a href="http://connect.opi.mt.gov/mealpatterncertification2/">http://connect.opi.mt.gov/mealpatterncertification2/</a>

If you miss the webinar, there will be an opportunity to view it from our website starting August 27th, 2012. Go to this link to view the webinar:

http://www.opi.mt.gov/Programs/SchoolPrograms/School Nutrition/index.html#gpm1 2

Once you have a week of breakfast and lunch menus that are ready for the State Agency to review for compliance with the new meal pattern standards, we suggest that you attend a School Menu Certification training. A four-hour hands on computer training session will give you instructions and time to enter one week of menus into the certification tool.

Training in September and October will take place on the following dates/regional areas:

Bozeman	September 6, 2012	Montana State University, Herrick Hall
Billings	September 18, 2012	Montana State University, Billings, downtown campus
Helena	September 25, 2012	Office of Public Instruction
Missoula	October 2, 2012	University of Montana, James Todd Building
Great Falls	October 18 and 19, 2012	Paris Gibson Education Center
Miles City	October 23, 2012	Miles City Community College

You can register online for any of the trainings listed above. Use the link provided below to access the registration page. You must fill out all fields on the registration from.

http://www.keysurvey.com/f/450321/1542/

If you are not ready to be trained on this process by October, additional regional trainings in regional areas around the state from November through April, specifically in Billings, Great Falls/Lewistown, Havre, Glasgow, Glendive, and Missoula/Polson.

Thank you for your commitment to serving our students nutrient rich meals that help them learn, grow and maintain good health.